

PRESS RELEASE

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DEFENDANT PLEADS GUILTY TO RECEIVING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

RE: UNITED STATES v. JAMES F. ROELAND

Terrance P. Flynn, the United States Attorney for the Western District of New York, announced today that James F. Roeland, age 63, of Clifton Springs, New York, pled guilty in front of the Honorable David G. Larimer, United States District Court Judge, to a felony information charging him with receiving child pornography, which carries a mandatory minimum sentence of 5 years imprisonment and a maximum of 20 years imprisonment, and a \$250,000 fine.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Richard A. Resnick, who handled the case, stated that on June 27, 2005, Roeland received by the United States mail two videocassettes he knew contained child pornography. A subsequent search of Roeland's home computer found that he possessed more than 600 images of child pornography. Some of the child pornography images depicted minors under twelve years old and portrayed sadistic conduct or other depictions of violence.

Roeland's advisory sentencing range is between 97 and 121 months imprisonment.

The conviction was the culmination of an investigation on the part of the United States Postal Inspection Service, under the direction of Ronald C. Walker, Inspector In Charge, New York Division.

Sentencing for Roeland is scheduled for November 20, 2006, at 10:30 a.m.